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News Briefs

Cell phone usage

Vehicle operators on a Department of Defense installation and operators of government owned vehicles will not use cell phones unless the vehicle is safely parked or unless they are using a hands-free device. The wearing of portable headphones, earphones or other listening devices (except for hands-free cellular phones) while operating a motor vehicle is prohibited.

UCMJ files

An Airman assigned to the 50th Flying Training Squadron was convicted for possessing and using marijuana and for making a false official statement. A military judge sentenced the Airman to three months confinement, reduction in grade to E-1 and a bad conduct discharge.

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Anyone wishing to operate a vehicle on the aerodrome must have a flightline driver's license and have clear communications with the base Air Traffic Control Tower to operate on the runways. For more information, contact the airfield manager at Ext. 2996.

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Airmen learn desert survival from SERE.

DUI status

"Don't Drink and Drive" Last DUI: Sunday Days since last DUI: 5

Unit: 14th Civil Engineer Squadron

AF releases 2006 posture statement

Buzanowski Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force released its "posture statement" detailing the service's mis-

sions and priorities over the next

The 52-page document's introduction asks Airmen to look from their heritage to the horizon, taking lessons from the past and adapting them for the future.

It also opens with a letter from Michael W. Wynne, secretary of the Air Force, and Gen. T. Michael Moseley, Air Force chief of staff.

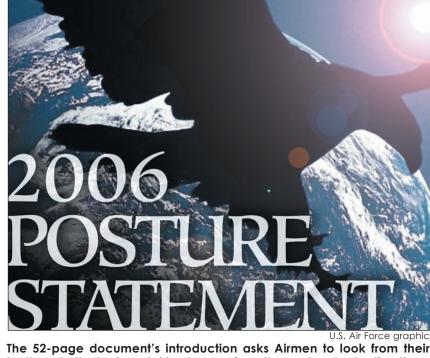
"Our 2006 posture statement outlines our plan to accomplish ... goals regarding (the global war on terror), our Airmen, and our aircraft and equipment," they said.

The posture statement expands those three main Air Force objectives and why they're important to for the future todav's Airmen.

The posture statement also "reflects our commitment to good stewardship of the resources entrusted to us, and our dedication to protecting our nation in air, space and cyberspace," General Moseley further illustrates the Air Force and Secretary Wynne wrote.

Winning the global war on ter-

"Our first priority is winning the global war on terror," according to the statement. It goes on to outline the importance of air, space and cyberspace operations and their importance in both homeland defense and fighting the nation's enemies. The statement also cites emerging threats and the risk of weapons of mass destruction.



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continually for 15 years," General Committee. The posture statement reads. contributions not only to missions past, but to operations Noble Eagle, Iragi Freedom and Enduring

Developing and caring for

The posture statement takes into consideration the total force. Considerations for active duty, oping the Air Force.

"We must manage our force to

"The Air Force has been at war ensure the Air Force is properly sized, shaped and organized to meet Moseley said recently in testimony the global challenges of today and before the House Armed Services tomorrow," the posture statement

> It also details recruiting and retention efforts, updates on military housing, as well as new management systems for personnel actions and civilian employment.

Maintenance, modernization and recapitalization

The posture statement outlines that the Air Force is also looking to use its oldest aircraft for as long as Guard and Reserve Airmen are at it can while newer weapon systems the forefront of shaping and devel- are brought online. To extend the use of platforms such as the C-5

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COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

PHASE II Squadron

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Graduation 3.09 days Today

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Graduation speaker: Maj. Gen. Harold Cross, Mississippi National Guard Adjutant General



AF takes lead on tri-service installation

Master Sgt. Orville Desjarlais Jr. Air Force Print News

MCGUIRE AFB, N.J. - The Air Force is taking the lead in the nation's first tri-service installation in the continental U.S. -- which includes McGuire. Fort Dix and Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station.

What some media are calling a "Super Base," the merger is expected to reduce overall manpower and facilities, and generate savings by combining services such as grass cutting, road repairs, trash collection, custodial duties and snow

"Since these installations share a common boundary with minimal distance (among) the major facilities, or are in close proximity, there is significant opportunity to reduce duplication of efforts," said Col. Rick Martin, the 305th Air Mobility Wing commander. He is taking the lead on the joint-basing initiative since McGuire is in charge of all the installation management functions.

Although the management functions will consolidate, the three services' missions will not. The Air Force will continue to provide global mobility readiness and expeditionary combat support; the Army will continue to mobilize and train Soldiers; and the Navy will continue to assure fixed and vertical wing aircraft operate safely from aircraft carriers, ships and expeditionary airfields worldwide.

"Airmen involved in their day-to-day mission won't see a change," the colonel said. "However, those involved with base security or waste management will be affected simply because those functions will be joint."

More than 20,000 people work and live on this 60-square-mile installation, which has yet to be named. Some are calling it Joint Base New Jersey, while others have temporarily dubbed it Joint Base



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Army 1st Lt. Matthew Maxwell (left) briefs Airmen on a convoy route during a training mission at Fort Dix, N.J., Friday, March 3. McGuire AFB, Fort Dix and Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station have merged to become what some are calling a "super base." Lieutenant Maxwell is with the 310th Training Support Battalion.

McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

Colonel Martin just calls it a good idea. "None of us can accomplish our missions alone — we need the support of the other armed services," Colonel Martin said. "My greatest expectation is for us to build a culture where working jointly is the norm. We will live together, work together, train together, and when the need arises — we will defend our country

Army Col. David McNeil, the commander of Fort Dix, also sees the sunny side of the merger.

"We all fight together, so if we're going to fight together we need to work together to know each other and get to understand each others' cultures, and our systems, and our complexities, and our nuances about how we work together during peacetime so that we can better accomplish our mission during wartime," Colonel McNeil said.

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Thomas Smith, 322nd Recruiting

And, he said, the interaction among the services is a definite bonus.

"We're going to be able to do more things with the Air Force and Navy by breaking down some barriers, which will enhance our teamwork, and we'll be able to share more resources," he said. "Our Soldiers will have more everyday interactions with their brothers and sisters in other services that they don't have now."

After the merger, the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate funded \$52.5 million in new construction projects for the combined base that includes a blend of active duty, Guard and Reserve servicemembers, civil servants and family members. The installation expects to receive nearly 800 more jobs generated by other bed-down moves identified in base realignment and closure recommendations. Other combined services include libraries, fitness facilities, base newspapers and installation mainte-

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as the F-22A Raptor, unmanned aerial vehicles and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft. The posture statement also illustrates the importance of space as part of the Air Force

Heritage to horizon

To successfully reach the three goals, the posture statement describes how the service will establish Air Force Smart Operations 21 practices. Essentially, AFSO21, as it's known, is the application of business plans meant to streamline everyday processes across the Air Force to be more effective and more effi-

Air Force leaders believe AFSO21 practices, as well as energy conservation, total force integration and exploring new technologies are what will bring the Air Force forward into the future.

"We have received a proud heritage forged through the ingenuity, courage and strength of the Airmen who preceded us," the statement reads. "Our duty today is to deliver their Air Force to the limitless horizon ahead of us."

Congrats reenlistees

The 14th Flying Training Wing congratulates the most recent Air Force reenlistees:

Tech Sat. Jonathan Eha, 14th Security Forces Squadron; Master Sgt. Kevin Alexander, 14th Mission Support Squadron; Master Sat. Jerry Price, 14th Operations Support Squadron.

Airmen learn desert survival from SERE

What would you do if you got stuck in the desert? Twenty Airmen with the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing found out when the Kuwait Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape team - better known as SERE -- taught a one-day desert survival class in February.

The class spent the morning learning that attitude was the most important aspect of survival.

"People with positive attitudes who don't panic survive," Sergeant Anderson said. "Many people lose the battle for survival in the first few minutes because they panic and give up."

He had students empty their front pockets and tell him how they could use the contents to help them if they got stranded in the desert. Lip balm can be used as fuel for a fire, and flashlights and whistles become signaling devices for rescue parties.

He also addressed some survival myths. "You can't drink blood, urine or salt water

Sergeant Anderson showed the class how to make a simple snare and some more complicated snares to trap food. He then gave the class a list of the most important things to keep in their personal survival kits.

- a huge kit doesn't do you any good if it stays in the vehicle or the garage." Sergeant Anderson said.

Airman Tanner closed the classroom portion with some urban evasion and survival tips for the deployed environment. In the afternoon, the class got a chance to go in to the field and test some of the techniques they learned. They split into two groups to dig solar stills. Their goal was to purify water from plants and to try and reclaim bottled water from the soil. The groups made quick work of the stills because there were many willing hands.



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Tech. Sqt. Joshua Anderson, Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape team member, teaches Airmen how to build a solar still during a recent desert survival class at a deployed location.

However, Sergeant Anderson said in a earlier in the day by trying to find edible solo survival situation, it's important to weigh the water expenditure against the

"Ration sweat not water," was his

gy unless you were forced to recapture like lemons (as advertised), a little on the water from a vehicle radiator or the sea.

"It's a method of last resort when it is "Multiple-use items are very important a case of 'water, water, everywhere and not a drop to drink," Sergeant Anderson

> In fact, from about a pound of plant life recovered about three teaspoons of water signal for rescue. from their still; while the other group did not get any water.

a stove out of a soda can, sand and some webbing. The stoves burned for about 30

class tested the knowledge they acquired Force Print News)

plants in the desert scrub.

The class caught and ate ants to round out their edible practicum.

"I never thought I could eat a bug, but now I know that ants don't taste that bad. Solar stills are not the best use of ener- They don't taste like chicken, not at all crunchy side but not bad." said Capt. Jessica Wright, 386th Expeditionary Medical Group family practice provider.

> A couple of the more adventurous students nibbled on beetles as well.

As a final exercise, students learned and three liters of water, one group how to use signal mirrors and a CD to

At the end of the day, the students agreed that they had a good time and The class was also taught how to make actually learned some valuable survival

"I feel much more confident now about minutes with about one-half cup of my ability to survive in not only a desert climate, but in any adverse situation," While their stoves were burning, the Captain Wright said. (Courtesy of Air

CAFB leadership welcomes newest Air Force members

14th Flying Training Wing

Columbus AFB leadership will witness first-hand the Air Force's newest enlisted troops during their graduation parade today at Lackland AFB, Texas.

Col. Stephen Wilson, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander will be the reviewing official for the Basic Military Graduation parade. Col. David Lewis, 14th Operations Group commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Jeffery Bowes, 14th Flying Training Wing command chief, will join Colonel Wilson.

reviewing platform, but the base will also provide a time to officially launch my son's career." composite formation flyover of three aircraft and six "It is a tremendous honor to be a part of this special crewmembers for the event.

This full team support from Columbus AFB highlights a special event for the wing's command chief. Chief Bowes' son, Lance Bowes, will be one of the 731 graduates marching across the parade ground in front will serve in defense of our great nation."

"One of the proudest moments in my Air Force career will be to watch my son march down the 'bomb run' and graduate BMT," Chief Bowes said. "Additionally, I am truly honored that two officers that Not only will Columbus AFB be represented at the I have an incredible amount of respect for have taken his graduation.

day for Chief Bowes and the hundreds of other American families," Colonel Wilson said. "Just six weeks ago, these were 'ordinary' individuals. Today, they will join the ranks of 'extraordinary' Airmen who

The parade marks the end of a six and one-half week training course used to prepare America's young men and women to enter the United States Air Force. It also marks a beginning, as Airman Bowes will begin training at Keesler AFB, Miss., in computer operations after

All servicemember have financial responsibilities

Maj. Floyd Gwartney 14th Flying Training Wina

Has your pay check ever run out before all the bills are paid? Are you living paycheck to paycheck more often? Many of us have faced these situations from time to time. Hopefully, it is temporary.

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Wingman's corner: Spring brings safety issues

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Columbus Club offers this breakfast and Call Ext. 2490. lunch entrees from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$9.95 for club members and \$12.95 for nonmembers. Ages ages 6 to 12, eat for \$5 for club members and \$7

St. Patty's Day family fun night: Take the family for this fun night from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Columbus Club. Children wearing green will receive a door prize. There will be craft making, games and a bouncy castle. The adult buffet is \$6.95 for members and \$9.95 for nonmembers. The children's buffet is \$3.95 for members and \$5.95 for nonmembers for ages 6 to 12. Ages 5 and younger, eat free. The adult buffet includes salad, lemon baked chicken days prior to the class date. Call Ext. breast, slow roasted beef with gravy, rosted new potatoes, wild rice, vegetable medley, rolls and butter, coffee and tea. nuggets, french fries, corn dogs, tater tots, macaroni and cheese, gelatin and chocolate and vanilla pudding swirl. Call Ext. more information. 2490 for more information.

for nonmembers. Ages 5 and younger eat

Club invites the BLAZE TEAM to their St. Patty's day party from 7 to 11 p.m. March 17 featuring Irish music, green beverages, corned beef, cabbage and potatoes. Food is complimentary for club members. Beverage specials will be featured throughout the night. Call Ext. 2490 for concessions voucher per person. more information.

Spring break trip to Orlando: Register at the information, ticket and travel office for this trip to Orlando, Fla., March 26 to March 30. Cost is \$415 for one person, \$265 each for two people in the same room, \$215 each for three people in one room and \$190 each for four people Foundation staff will give winning families in one room. Cost includes transporta- at least one week's notice before the game to tion, four nights lodging and shuttle service while in Orlando. Discount Disney mation, call Ext. 7861. tickets are available at the ITT office. For more information, call Ext. 7861.

Lunch buffets: The Columbus Club offers an all-you-can-eat lunch buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Tuesday's new menu includes meat loaf, Southern fried pork chops, vegetables and homemade apple pie. Wednesday's menu features a southern comfort buffet with fried chicken, smoked brisket and cobbler Thursday is backyard barbecue and Friday's menu is a bonsai buffet with

Champagne Sunday brunch: The person and includes iced tea or lemonade.

SERVICES

Crafts classes: The arts and crafts center's upcoming crafts classes for March feature seasonal projects. Adult classes are at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Upcoming classes include a mosaic patio stone, a picket fence Easter door hanging and a Easter bunny door hanging.

The youth classes are offered Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Upcoming classes include a St. Patrick's door hanging, a personalized pillow case, a bunny bell necklace and a wooden bunny.

A display of all projects is available in the arts and crafts lobby.

Participants must register at least four 7836 for more information.

Free automobile maintenance class-The children's buffet includes chicken es: The auto hobby shop offers a free minor maintenance class for women Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. Call Ext. 7842 for

Memphis Grizzlies honor military St. Patty's Day party: The Columbus families: Military families may enter a drawing for the opportunity to attend a 2005-2006 Memphis Grizzlies home game by picking up an application at the information, ticket and travel office. The winner will receive passes to a game for up to 10 family members, two parking passes and a \$10

The chosen servicemember must have been deployed to the Middle East during the last four years for a period of no less than six months as a member of the U.S.

drawing for every home game so families only need apply one time. The Grizzlies coordinate plans to attend. For more infor-

Home decor workshops: The arts and crafts center offers a class at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Thursday to make a message board. Cost is \$15 and includes all supplies. Make a boy's or girl's toy box in the class at Camp is June 25 to July 2 in Colorado 10:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. March 30. Cost is \$30 and includes all supplies. Register at focused on creating a bonding experience least four days prior to the class start date. Call Ext. 7836 for more information.

Veterinary clinics: The base veterinarian will conduct a clinic Wednesday. Call teriyaki chicken, beef vegetable stir fry, Ext. 2281 Wednesdays from noon to rafting and more. Deadline for submitting fried rice and egg rolls. Cost is \$5.50 per 5 p.m. for an appointment. Clinics are usuan application is April 5 at the youth cen- For more information, call Ext. 2507.

And the winner is...



Chris Howell, 14th Flying Training Wing, is congratulated by Capt. Ray Madrid, 14th Mission Support Group, for winning a 3-day, 2-night stay at a casino resort for his puzzle entry from "The Buzz." There were 35 entries for this first-time drawing. BLAZE TEAM members may enter the March Drawing by completing the puzzle in "The Buzz" and turning it in to the Services Marketing office by March 30. A winner will be drawn March 31. For more information, call Ext. 2337.

ally held the first and third Wednesdays of ter. Call Ext. 2504 for more information.

Parents Day Out: The child development center and youth center offer this program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 18. Cost is \$3 per hour per child and parents must register their children by Eligible applications will remain in the Wednesday Call the child development 7842. center at Ext. 2479 or the youth center at Ext. 2504 for more information.

Parent/teen outdoor adventure camp:

The youth center is accepting applications for this program open to families of their spouses and dependents, ages 12 to 14. The camp, lodging and meals are free. their own transportation to the camp. Springs, Colo. The week long program is for families through participation in various outdoor and indoor activities. Each person must be able to participate in a high and low ropes course, rock climbing, hiking, horseback riding, white water includes range fee, marker, mask, body

Self-help car wash: There is a self-help car wash located behind the youth center on Ninth Street. Cost is \$1 for five minutes and customers may add a quarter for each additional minute before the time ends for an extended wash. Call Ext.

Boss and buddy night: The Columbus Club offers an all-ranks boss and buddy night from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursdays in the Landing Lounge. A free taco bar is available for club members and nonmembers active-duty Air Force, Air Force reserve, pay \$2.95. Wings are 25-cents each for club members and 50-cents for nonmembers from 4 to 7 p.m. Beverage specials If selected the participants must pay for are also available. For more information,

> Paintball birthday parties: The paintball field can be reserved for birthday celebrations, grudge matches or organizational play. Cost for groups of 10 or more is \$15 per person. Groups with less than 10 people must pay \$20 per person. Cost armor, carbon dioxide and 200 paintballs.

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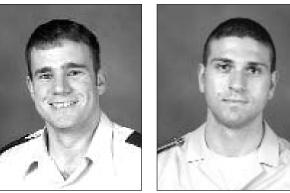


Capt. Andrew Burroughs Aurora, Colo. RC-135, Offutt AFB, Neb.

2nd Lt. Christopher Evans

B-52, Barksdale AFB, La

Fairhope, Ala.



1st Lt. Georgi Ivanov Bulgaria





Capt. Christopher Eberth

Chewelah, Wash,

F-16, Luke AFB, Ariz.

2nd Lt. Jonathan Fetting Fountain City, Wis. (AFRC) KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



2nd Lt. Nuno Goulart Azores, Portugal



2nd Lt. Codrut Martius Romania



2nd Lt. Lisa McCranie Lincoln, Neb C-17, Charleston AFB, S.C.



2nd Lt. Lindsay McWhirter Colorado Springs, Colo. C-17, Hickam AFB, Hawaii

SUPT Class 06-06 earns silver wings

Twenty-four officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the sonic T-37 Tweet. Some complete this phase in the single-engine, turboprop right to be an Air Force pilot.

U.S. GOVERNMENT LICENSED

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 06-06 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Columbus Club.

The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. Harold Cross, Adjutant General of Mississippi National Guard. He is charged with the responsibility to organize train and equip the more than 13,000 citizen soldiers and airmen of the Mississippi National Guard to perform its federal and state missions in addition to the supervision of an additional 3,000 state and federal

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

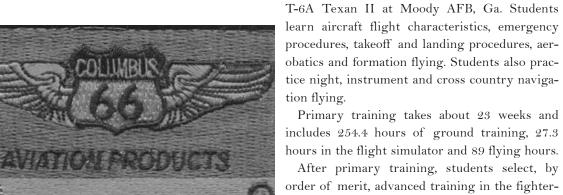
Capt. Christopher Eberth, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Jonathan Fetting, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lts. Adam Joyce, T-38, and Sarah Thilo, T-1. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national

Captain Eberth and Lieutenant Fetting were named distinguished graduates.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 flying hours. of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight

The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the twin-engine, sub-



bomber or airlift-tanker track. Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground events, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 flying hours.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground

The class reunites on graduation day, when students receive the aeronautical rating of pilot and begin their careers as U.S. Air Force pilots. (Editor's



2nd Lt. Stephen Akins Fayetteville, N.C. (ANG)



2nd Lt. Manuel Costa Vila Nova De Famalicao, Portugal



2nd Lt. Michael Dougherty Doylestown, Penn. KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



2nd Lt. Adam Joyce Pittston Penn F-15C, Tyndall AFB, Fla.



2nd Lt. Bryant Langley Memphis, Tenn. (ANG) C-5, Memphis ANGB, Tenn.



2nd Lt. Kory Lund Dillion, Mon. KC-135, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.



2nd Lt. Jefferson Morgan E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



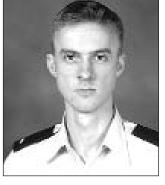
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2nd Lt. John Rego Miami, Fla. KC-135, Fairchild AFB, Wash,



2nd Lt. Erin Shav Glendale, Ariz. T-37, Columbus AFB, Miss.



2nd Lt. Arlen Spexarth Seattle, Wash. C-17. McGuire AFB. N.J.



2nd Lt. Fernando Teiada Cardenas 2nd Lt. Jared Temple Omaha, Neb. Ecuador KC-135, Mildenhall AB, UK



2nd Lt. Sarah Thilo Coeur d'Alene, Idaho C-21, Andrews AFB, Md.

COSC fashion show

The March Columbus Officers' Spouses' Club Social will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Columbus Club. The menu includes baked cod and will be served at a cost of \$14. Columbus Club members receive a \$2 discount. New members are welcome. For reservations, please contact Jennifer Wood via email at woodtjjg@cablone.net or call 425-6059.

Dorm Dinner

A dinner for enlisted dorm residents will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday at the base chapel. Chicken, fish and desserts will be

Post office promotional

BLAZE TEAM members can win a half or a whole book of stamps with every purchase of a 39 cent book of stamps at the base post office throughout Easter. For details on this promotion, call 2960.

Base exchange giveaway

All authorized base exchange customers can register to win or purchase an Xbox 360 at the base exchange. The drawing will be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday. Contestants must be present in order to win. For more information, or questions, call Joyce Best at Ext. 8484.

Thrift shop

The base thrift shop is open from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays Volunteers are needed. Consignments are accepted Thursdays during business hours until one hour before closing. For more information, call Ext.

Commissary closure

Due to the air show, the commissary will be closed April 9. It will re-open April 10 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Yard inspections

As a reminder, on random Wednesdays of each month, squadron and group commanders conduct yard inspections. There are at least two inspections every month, so residents are encouraged to have yards in inspection order every Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. The family housing brochure, Columbus AFB Pamphlet 32-6002, includes the inspection standards and is available at the housing office. For more

information, call the office at Ext. 7276.

Garage sales

On-base garage sales are only permitted the first Saturday of every month. Advertisements for sales are limited to yard signs or ads in the base paper only. Signs must be no larger than 2 feet by 2 feet. Displaying signs on utility poles and street signs in prohibited. Advertising yard sales in the local media, excluding the base newspaper, is also prohibited. People may locally advertise individual items for sale, such as automobiles, boats, washers, dryers or refrigerators. Columbus AFB housing areas are located on a federal installation and the civilian public may only enter a military installation on official business, open house functions or social visitations. Yard and carport sales do not fall within these criteria.

Chapel Schedule

Catholic

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. — Mass 10:30 a.m. — CCD 5 p.m. — Confessions 5:30 p.m. — SUPT Mass Tuesday: 7 p.m. - RCIA

Protestant

Sunday:

9 a.m. — Adult and children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m. -- Contemporary service at

the services complex 10:45 a.m. — Traditional worship

service at the chapel sanctuary Monday:

7 p.m. — Bible study fellowship Wednesday:

11:30 a.m. — Lunchtime study 5 p.m. — Pot luck supper

6 p.m. — Video study

A Case for Kids Pioneer Clubs

Thursday:

9 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study For information, call Ext. 2500.

Family Support Center

(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the family support center unless otherwise specified. For more information about any of the activities listed, call Ext. 2790.)

Deployment briefings

Pre-deployment briefings are held daily at 9 a.m. Family members are encouraged to

Solo splash



Members of Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 07-03 dunk 2nd Lt. Karl Kreek after completing his first T-37 solo flight.

attend. For more information, call Ext. 2974 personnel who are within one year of or Ext. 2790.

Government applications

A workshop on federal employment and the Small Business Administration is from 2:50 to 3:45 p.m. Thursday.

Spouse welcome

A welcome reception for spouses new to Columbus AFB is from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. every Wednesday at the Magnolia Inn Lobby. Spouses will receive gifts and information about the family support

Free childcare

The Childcare for PCS program offers up to 20 hours of free childcare per child for active-duty Air Force people arriving at or departing from Columbus AFB. Certificates are available within 60 days of departure or arrival. For more information, call Sharon Nichols at Ext. 2790.

Local employment

A workshop about employment opportunities with local businesses, the 14th Services Division and the government is from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday. Resumes and other job applications will also be discussed.

TAP workshop

A transition assistance workshop for be provided.

retirement or separation from the military is from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Single Parents Group

Single [arents are invited to bring their children to the Services complex at 1 p.m. Saturday for food and activities. For more information, call Ext. 2631.

Veterans' benefits

A seminar with information on veterans' benefits is from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday.

Employment assistance

The Mississippi Department of Employment Security will conduct a workshop at 2:15 p.m. Thursday for personnel who are separating, retiring or have recently moved to this area and are seeking employment.

Communication workshop

This class will be held at 11 a.m. March 22 and will examine communication skills using personal perspectives, communication models and body language.

Hearts Apart social

A social gathering for families of personnel deployed or remote for more than 30 days is at 5:30 p.m. March 23. Information, refreshments and prizes will

AROUND TOWN

non-students and \$1 per person for students. Tours begin at 7 p.m. and the last tour begins at 9:30 p.m. This event is sponsored by Mississippi School for Mathematics and

at 8 a.m. April 8 at the Tennessee Williams Welcome MOPS group, call 327-2010 or e-mail info@hopems.org. Center. Participants will run through Columbus' Historic District while viewing some of the South's antebellum homes. The run will be completed on the new river walk along the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway. Awards will be given to first overall, first masters and first grandmasters. Fore more information, Call O.K. Winter Jam 2006: This event is at 6 p.m. Thursday at Bryant at (662) 327-7688 or e-mail him at 251-1125. TKOKB2@aol.com

Science in conjunction with the annual Spring

Pilgrimage. For more information, call (800) 327-2686.

drop by or call the Mississippi Welcome Center or Columbus Historic Foundation for schedules of historic homes open for tours. For admission or more information, call (800) 920-3533.

Community Volunteer Center: People in search of For more event listings, visit www.columbusms.org. observance in April, 1866. Admission is \$2 per person for volunteer opportunities can contact the Community or www.tupelo.net.

Volunteer Center at 327-0807, or visit the office at 501 Seventh St. North, Suite 5, in the Plaza Building.

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MOPS: Mothers of Preschoolers meet each month during the school year on the second and fourth Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. for a social and guest speaker. Child Columbus Pilgrimage 10K Run: This race will begin care is provided onsite. For more information on the

> American Indian Artifacts Museum: This museum is located in Columbus and holds Native American artifacts dating back hundreds and thousands of years. Tours are available to individuals or groups by appointment. For more information, call Byron and Alice Weeks at (662)

Exchange Club: The Exchange Club of Columbus **Daily historic home tours:** The public is invited to meets at noon Thursdays at the Columbus Country Club. The organization is a community service group dedicated to programs and projects that aid in the prevention of child abuse. For more information, e-mail exchange clubof colubusms@yahoo.com.

BARGAIN LINE

The deadline for submitting ads is noon Monday before the desired publication date. Ads turned in after the deadline will run the following week. Ads can be mailed to or dropped off at the public affairs office in the 14th Flying Training Wing Headquarters building, emailed to silverwings@colum bus.af.mil or faxed to 434-7009. Calling Ext. 7068 by noon Monday can extend the run date of ads already submitted. Silver Wings reserves the right to limit ads based on content, space and frequency of requests. Advertisements for private businesses or services providing a continuous source of income may not appear in the Bargain Line. They may, however, be purchased through the the Commercial Dispatch, 328-2424.

Pets

Free: Female Calico cat, 2 years old, spayed, all shots, supplies included. Call 434-9924. Free: Female black Labrador mix. 2 years old, spayed, all shots, house and kennel trained, supplies included. Call 434-9924 or 359-1404

Free: Two male indoor cats, 4 years old, one black/half Siamese, one brown/gray striped, all shots current, both neutered w/front claws removed. Call 327-4994.

Transportation

For sale: 1985 Mercedes Benz, 380 SEL V8, black w/tan leather, 4-door, loaded, all electric, moon roof, anti-lock brakes w/airbag and seatbelts, 55,000 miles on rebuilt engine, \$4,900 OBO. Call 327-3141. For sale: 2003 Chevy S-10, 4.3 V6, automatic transmission, AC, extended cab 398-4374

For sale: 2002 Jeep Liberty Limited Edition, fully loaded, 60,000 miles, \$13,500.

Yard Sales

Musical audition: The Columbus Community Theater

is having musical auditions at 10 a.m. Saturday for "The

Pajama Game." Auditions will be held at the Arts Center

on the Corner of Fifth Street and Main Street. The musi-

cal performance is scheduled for May. Anyone interested

in auditioning or for volunteering for other responsibili-

ties, e-mail Bob Seney at bseney@muw.edu or call him at

Noon Tunes: This event will be held at the Trotter

Convention Center Courtyard from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday with food and entertainment. For more infor-

the BancorpSouth Center in Tupelo, Miss., featuring the

Newsboys, Toby Mac, NewSong, Zoegirl, Hawk Nelson,

speaker David Nasser and a Sphere of Fear motorcycle

stunt show. Cost is \$10. For more information, call (662)

Tales from the Crypt: Beginning March 27, costumed

guides will lead narrated candlelight tours of historic Friendship Cemetery, site of the first Memorial Day

329-7112.

841-6598

mation, call 325-6305.

138 Davis Woods Drive: 7 a.m.-12 p.m Saturday. Large variety of items.

Miscellaneous

For sale: Stamp collection, albums include U.S. and worldwide stamps, \$200. Call 425-1555.

For sale: Large world stamp collection, albums, stock books, reference catalogues, large envelopes included, \$1,000 OBO. Call 425-1555.

For sale: Variety of antique English Victorian and Edwardian furniture, including 4 dining chairs, sideboards, display cabinets, headboard, footboard, blanket box, men's wardrobe, hall tree and assorted mirrors, different shapes. Call 495-1555 For sale: Breakfast nook w/2 chairs, \$50;

Black futon, metal, \$130. Call 425-1555. For sale: Samsung 18-inch PC monitor, dual voltage, \$80 OBO; Large Panasonic microwave, black/brown, hi power, \$50; Two kitchen cabinets w/doors, shelves, white/natural color, \$100 for both; Small, round wicker table, \$15; Electric edger, \$20; Cat carriers, \$10 each; Ironing board, \$5; Golf clubs w/brown carrying case; Assorted suitcases/bags.

ated 4x4 jeeps, working condition, \$55 couch w/pull out bed and recliner. Leach Call 398-6571 shaped, \$1,000. Call 425-1555. For sale: Chrome Panther Flood wheels,

> For sale: 35mm Minolta Maxxum 300SI w/blue/black case, \$160; Digital Polaroid PDC 1100 w/case, tri pod. accessories, \$75. Call 425-1555.

For sale: Two Fisher Price battery-oper-For sale: Twin bed, rails, dresser w/mir-

Type of advertisement (circle one) Home Transportation

noon Monday to be included in the following week's issue. Late ads will be held over for the next issue

ror, night stand, desk and hutch, \$300 Coffee table and 2 glass end tables, \$150 Call (757) 870-3786

For sale: Shoei RF 800 Motorcycle helmet, extra large, red, white and black Bieffe motorcycle helmet, medium, black Triumph Kevlar motorcycle gloves medium, black. Call 434-8989.

Bargain Line advertisement

The Bargain Line is free for all military members (including guard and reserve members), DOD civilians, military retirees, family mem-	ł
pers and contract employees.	į
Bargain Line advertisements must be turned in to the Silver Wings office in the 14th Flying Training Wing headquarters building by	ł

17x17.5, 4x100, set of 4 wheels, tires not

included, all 16 lug nuts including

chrome stem caps, see www.cafbads.com

for details, \$300. Call 549-2515.

Reruns must be phoned in to the Silver Wings office, 434-7068, by noon Monday for inclusion in the next week's issue. Please do not re-submit ads for rerun on this form. Advertisements should contain a home phone number, home address or both. Duty phone numbers will not appear in the ads.

Advertisements for private businesses or services providing a continuous source of income, such as baby-sitting or rental property, may not appear in the Bargain Line. They may, however, be purchased through the Silver Wings publisher, 328-2424. Please fill out this form completely. The Silver Wings staff reserves the right to edit ads as necessary.

Print advertisement		
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Name		
Home Telephone #	Duty Telephone #	
	(in case we need more information)	
Places let us know what you th	sink of the Silver Wings:	

Are you happy with the Silver Wings? Yes □ No □

What would you like to see more of in the newspaper? News

Sports Photos Other If you would like to give any other suggestions, please e-mail us at silverwings@columbus.af.mil.



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Take the steps toward better nutrition, health

better. Make smart choices at every meal and do something each day to be more active. Here are the food groups that provide proper nutrients

GRAINS: At least half or about three of the servings of grains eaten each day should be the grain kernel - the germ, bran and choice. endosperm - not just the white flour that is in most foods today. Oatmeal, brown rice, barley, examples of whole grains.

enough vegetables or enough of the dark green meat. or orange veggies. Anyone who eats one large salad at lunch plus a few vegetables at dinner

the squadron's Flight 212.

It is never too late to make a change for the and for snacks, is stepping in the right direction!

FRUITS: Think fresh whole fruit and get a variety each day. Start with breakfast and end with dessert. Take a fruit for snacking, too.

MILK: Most people need to drink about three glasses of skim milk each day or get the equivalent with yogurt. Dairy foods that are low in whole grains? Whole grains include all parts of sodium and fat, yet high in calcium are the right

MEAT/BEANS: Most Americans get more than enough protein -- they just don't get and 100 percent whole wheat products are a few enough variety or keep it low in saturated fat. Start including beans, fish and nuts a little **VEGETABLES:** Most people do not eat more, especially if these can be in place of lower the risk for many chronic diseases.

> STEP MORE, SIT LESS: Being more active and less sedentary helps control weight and

My Health Check List

_Cook and eat more meals at home

_Consume fewer sugary foods and drinks

Eat more salads and vegetables

Drink 3 cups of skim milk daily

_Eat more fruit, especially whole fruit

_Get a variety of heart healthy protein

_Eat at least 3 ounces of whole grains per day

_Exercise every day for 30-60 minutes

Cleaning the house instead of watching TV burns twice the calories. In addition to being more active, try to get about 30 to 60 minutes

of exercise, like brisk walking, each day.

For more information, visit www.pyramid. gov. (Courtesy of the 14th Medical Operations

Airman's run



Airman Basic Zachary Zopp, holding the U.S. flag, and Airman Basic Melissa Nash, carrying the Air Force flag, lead the "Airman's Run" Thursday, March 2, 2006, at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The two were the week's top athletes in basic military training. Airman Zopp is with the 326th Training Squadron's Flight 214, and Airman Nash is with

Sports Shorts

Golf sign-ups

Any BLAZE TEAM member wishing to play intramural golf should sign up at with their squadron sports representative by April 3.

Bowling Special

Bowling will cost 50 cents per game for students Monday at the bowling center. Shoe rental will be free. For more information, call Ext. 2426.

Volksmarch

A volksmarch/ fun run will begin at 7 a.m. March 17 in honor of Women's history month. For more information, call the fitness center at Ext. 2775.

Bowling tournament

A nine-pin no-tap Scotch Doubles bowling tournament will be held at 7 p.m. March 17. Cost is \$20 per two-person team. All teams must register by Monday at the bowling center. Prizes will be awarded for team high total series, and men and women's individual high series. Prize money will be determined by the number of participating teams. Wearing green is highly recommended For more information, call Ext. 2426.